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MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY OF THE PACIFIC, HELD IN ROOM 601 MERCHANTS EXCHANGE BUILDING, SAN FRANCISCO, MONDAY, OCTOBER 12, 1908.

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. by President Burck-halter. The following directors were present: Aitken, Burckhalter, Campbell, Crawford, Cushing, Galloway, Morse, Richardson, Townley.

Moved and seconded that the action of the President and Secretary in sending requests for nominations for the award of the Bruce Medal for 1909 be approved. Carried.

The following were elected to membership:-

Mr. G. T. Webster..... Box 782, Globe, Arizona.

Mr. EDWIN G. BENKMAN. . 2267 Turk Street, San Francisco.

Mr. Edwin I. Barnes.....R. F. D. No. 1, Chanute, Kansas.

Mr. John A. Langstroth. Perry Street and Grand Avenue, Oakland. Moved and seconded that the matter of revising the By-Laws preparatory to their re-publication be referred to the Committee on Publication, to report at the next meeting. Carried.

Mr. Cushing made an oral report on the proposition of moving the library to San Francisco. No action was taken.

The resignation of Mr. Galloway from the position of Treasurer was presented. Upon motion, duly seconded, the resignation was accepted, to take effect upon the qualification of his successor.

Moved and seconded that the Secretary cast the ballot for the election of Mr. Richardson to the position of Treasurer. Carried. The ballot was cast and Mr. Richardson declared elected.

Moved and seconded that, beginning with the month of October, the salary of the Treasurer be fixed at \$10 per month, and that the salary of the Secretary be fixed at \$10 per month. Carried.

Moved and seconded that the President and Chairman of the Finance Committee be authorized to compromise with the Rhine-Moselle Fire Insurance Company at the best terms obtainable. Carried.

Adjourned.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, HELD IN ROOM 601 MERCHANTS EXCHANGE BUILDING, SAN FRANCISCO, CAL., NOVEMBER 28, 1908, AT 2 O'CLOCK P.M.

President Burckhalter presided. The following directors were present: Burckhalter, Crawford, Cushing, Galloway, Morse, Richardson, Townley.

Moved and seconded that the President appoint a permanent medal committee of two; this committee to have charge of all matters concerning the procuring of medals. Carried. The President appointed the following committee: F. R. ZIEL (chairman), R. T. CRAWFORD.

The Secretary reported the receipt of an appreciative letter from Mr. John Gricc acknowledging the receipt of the comet medal that had been awarded to him.

Moved and seconded that the Treasurer be authorized to secure a safe deposit box at the Crocker National Bank; the rental to be \$4.00 per annum. Carried

Moved and seconded that, according to the By-Laws, the Treasurer give a bond in the sum of \$500, furnished by two individual sureties, or one security company; the bond to be approved by the President. Carried.

Chairman Cushing, of the Committee on Location, made a verbal report.

Moved and seconded that the January meeting of the Society be held at the Chabot Observatory. Carried.

By ballot, the eighth award of the Bruce Medal, for the year 1909, was made. The name of the recipient is not to be made public until after January 1, 1909.

Adjourned.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY OF THE PACIFIC, HELD AT THE STUDENTS' OBSERVATORY, BERKELEY, CAL., NOVEMBER 28, 1908, AT 8 O'CLOCK P.M.

The meeting was called to order by President Burckhalter.

Moved and seconded that the minutes of the last meeting, as published in the *Publications*, be approved. Carried.

There being no further business, the President introduced Dr. Joseph H. Moore, of the Lick Observatory, who delivered a lecture upon "Variable Stars." At the conclusion of this lecture Dr. Sidney D. Townley, of Stanford University, was introduced and gave a lecture on "Variation of Latitude." Both lectures were illustrated with stereopticon views.

Adjourned.